

Wednesday, July 7, 2021

Dear Secretary Blinken,

It is with great sorrow to officially inform in the early morning of Wednesday, July 7, 2021, President Jovenel Moise was barbarically assassinated, and First Lady Martine Moise was severely wounded and is hospitalized in critical condition. Our nation is mourning this grave assault on the country's democracy and the rule of law. An investigation is underway by the Haitian National Police(HNP), the Department of Justice, and all relevant ministries to ensure the culprits of this heinous crime are brought to justice.

On behalf of the Government of the Republic of Haiti, I humbly request further assistance from the United States Government in the ongoing investigation. The Federal Bureau of Investigation(FBI), through its international operations office and the Department of Justice's Criminal Division's Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training (OPDAT) and the International Criminal Investigative Training Assistance Program (ICITAP), can play a critical role in rendering justice.

We further request for the Biden Administration to impose sanctions under the Global Magnitsky Act on all perpetrators who are directly responsible or aided and abetted in the execution of the assassination of the President. We look forward to working with the U.S. Embassy in Port-au Prince as we seek truth and justice for the family of President Moise and the people of Haiti.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to you, Dear Secretary Blinken, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours Sincerely,

Bocchit Edmond Ambassador

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